April 13, 2020 Education Working Group Call

Attendees: Alyssa Willson, Diana Dalbotten, Jason McLachlan, Jody Peters, Anna Sjodin, Mary Lofton, Gretchen Stokes

Agenda/Notes:

- Anna & Gretchen's Paper Update
  - IRB submitted to ND!
    - Gretchen going back and forth with Florida and waiting for final confirmation on whether a separate IRB needs to be submitted to Florida
    - Anna - hasn't heard back from Idaho IRB yet. Will give them a week and then will follow-up
  - Want to share the survey link at RCN meeting, then send it out to EFI/ecoforecasting authors in mid-May/June with follow up
  - Check with the group to get help finding authors of eco forecasting papers
    - Mary is in a grad seminar that is compiling forecasting papers that would be a good place to get list of papers/authors
    - Work with Grad Student working group

- RCN - we need a slide/5 minute presentation summarizing what the group
  - What to put on the slide?
    - Present the identity of the group.
    - Be welcoming/inviting to new people
    - Anna and Gretchen’s paper/Forecasting terminology survey
    - Education resources - there is a lot of information online, but isn't well organized. Present the idea at the RCN
  - Who to present?
    - Anna
    - Jason
  - Suggestions for slides - put more text on slides than normal in case your video/sound breaks up
  - Think about recording the presentation

- Plans for moving forward. This is our last scheduled meeting
  - JMc: Maybe use the summer to organize/synthesize online materials?
  - Diana is putting her summer REU program online so will be asking for help with presentations
  - Start thinking about the low hanging fruit for making resources available to people who want specific resources. This will be a long process.
  - One option is to create a Slack channel to putting in educational links to have people from EFI to put their resources in
  - Work with Grad student group
  - Then we can start organize the resources and do some work to identify a couple of tasks (one at grad level, one at undergrad REU program)
There will be lots of REUs going on this summer. Having tutorials for resources will be helpful.

If we have it organized by RCN we can have people to provide resources and then have people add resources that they are looking for. Create an organized Google doc for people to add information to.

- Coordinate this with the Methods/CI EFI Task Views List

Everyone is looking for exercises online.

Make the Google doc/location for people available during the Workshop so they can add resources.

- Other things for moving forward
  - Broaden the community (e.g., incorporate modeling)
  - Have a discussion about a strategic plan for this group
    - What are the needs? Identify the bottlenecks
    - Who needs the resources and what are the bottlenecks for them
    - Use this to give us a plan and set up the goals to then set up what actions we are going to take
    - Vision - we want to serve people forecasting from high schooler to professionals
      - At RCN want to hear from people with resources or who have
      - Jody and Jason to work to put together a draft to collect resources/input from participants at the RCN workshop
    - Have Education call April 20 at 1:30pm Eastern

- Other venues/resources: compatible with RCN goals; Notre Dame REU; MCD resources (NEFI, book, class); tap into EFI grad workshop student group?

- Set up doodle poll after the RCN workshop so we can include anyone recruited from the RCN workshop into the future calls. Have a call the week after the RCN workshop